

## WINDING UP ARMENIAN FIRMS IN TREBIZOND\*

From American Consul Oscar Heizer

American Consulate,  
Trebizond, Turkey,  
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Commission has been formed at Trebizond by the Governor General for the purpose of taking possession and selling the property of the Armenian population, which has been banished from this Province. Persons having claims against Armenians are invited to present the same to the Commission in order that they may be examined and, if found in order, registered. There were a great many Armenian merchants and commission Agents in Trebizond, some of whom had extensive dealings with Europe and England. It is not believed that American firms have claims of any importance. If there are any claims however an itemized statement duly sworn to before a Notary Public and certified by a Turkish Consul in America might be sent to this Consulate to be presented to the Commission.

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